

**Tiverton Library Services
Board of Trustees Minutes
Tiverton Public Library
March 4, 2015**

Trustees/Director Attending:

**Barbara Donnelly, Chair
Lee Hoyer
Jennifer Theroux
Maureen Morrow
Colin Robinson
Ann Grealish-Rust (Director)**

**Guest: Winona Clark Smith from the Friends of the Tiverton Library
Gayle Lawrence, President of Union Public Library Association**

Call to order at 7:00 PM

Agenda Items

1. Approval of Minutes for Previous Meeting.

Minutes of February 4, 2015 were reviewed and approved with one minor change. They will be placed on file.

2. Treasurer's Report.

Reports were reviewed, including general/operational Budget vs.

actual

balances in accounts (consolidated in past month to Bay Coast Bank)

Checking Account: \$ 830,760.51

Endowment \$ 166,027

Ann reported that Janet Linheares, the children's librarian received a grant from Amica Insurance of \$500 for the summer reading program.

3. Union Public Library Association. (UPLA)

Gayle Lawrence reported that the UPLA made some repairs to the library including the replacement of an electric cable and the painting of the flag pole. The Association is still working with Metal Works toward the installation of an AC/heat pump. Also, a plaque was placed near a tree on the grounds in memory of Bernard Kane, Lois Kane's husband.

In addition, Gayle is providing information to the Comprehensive Plan Committee as the so-called Comp plan is being revised. In particular, the shared parking arrangement of the ULPA with an adjacent business will be addressed.

4. Friends of the Tiverton Library (FOTL).

Winona Clark Smith was present to give the trustees a review of the recent FOTL annual meeting, which was the last annual meeting chaired by Kathy Ryan, president of FOTL. Kathy Gallagher and Deb

Darkow will be the new co-presidents. Winona is the new vice president.

5. Fundraising.

Update on opening gala planned for May 2, 2015 was given by Ann Grealish-Rust, Gayle Lawrence and Maureen Morrow.

6. New Building.

Lee Hoyer reported that the finish work is being completed, including carpentry and flooring. A certificate of occupancy is planned for March 9, although there may be some delay of this secondary to budgetary cuts made by the town administrator for the end of the fiscal year that affects the fire department. The town administrator and the fire chief are negotiating a plan to have all inspections done on time.

The building will be transferred to the Town of Tiverton mid-May.

7. Foundation.

No formal report.

8. Director's Report.

Ann provided an oral update and told the Trustees about the "What do you Geek?" program that is underway at the library.

9. Old Business.

Budget cuts proposed by the town administrator were discussed at length including various scenarios of how these cuts would affect the library's operation and staffing. Ann was asked to provide documentation of these scenarios.

The Trustees discussed the upcoming June 13th public grand opening and made some tentative plans for order of the ceremony, music, a keynote speaker, and participation by members of the community. Winona Clark Smith asked how the Friends could assist. The Trustees asked if the FOTL could provide refreshments such as cookies and lemonade.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM
Maureen Morrow, Secretary**